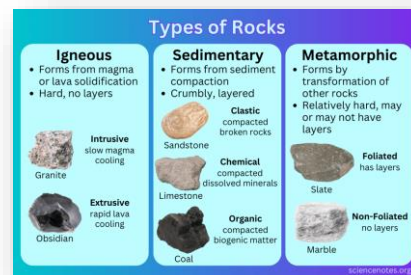


Maple Class'
Term 3 Newsletter
'What makes rocks beautiful?'



Dear Maples Class families,

Welcome back to Term 3 - we hope you all had a wonderful break over Christmas. We're excited to get going again this term with a brand new topic - What makes rocks beautiful? We will be reading 'When the Giant Stirred' by Celia Godkin and learning about different types of rocks that are in different environments and how they are formed. We will be learning about Mary Anning and the impact she made with her finds and focusing on our dreams and goals in PSHE.

Homework

Reading	Please read with your child at least three times a week at home and ensure that their reading record is signed and dated by an adult. A member of staff will be checking reading diaries on a Friday. The children are doing very well on Lexia so thank you for all your support with this at home.
Maths	Maths homework continues to be set every Monday and the pages for this term are stuck into their homework book.
Times Tables	Each child will have a Times Table Rock Stars login and should be practising their tables (either on this website or in another way) three times a week.
Spellings	Spellings are set every Monday and the children are tested on these the following Monday.
Grammar	Grammar homework linked to the children's literacy learning will be set on a Tuesday. The children will have two weeks to complete the task.

Questions you could ask your child about their learning this term:

- What is a sedimentary/metamorphic/igneous rock?
- How are fossils formed?
- Who was Mary Anning?
- Have you got any goals for the future? How will you achieve these?
- What happens in a disaster zone?
- How to earthquakes happen?
- What Hindu practices have you learnt about?

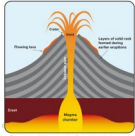
Key Topic Vocabulary

Igneous sedimentary fossil metamorphic volcano lava magma natural
disaster earthquake measure healthy ambition communicate purpose

Reminders - Please can you make sure your child brings in a water bottle each day with fresh water; ensure all jumpers are labelled and bring a coat for any wet weather. Our PE days are Mondays and Fridays. On these days the children should come dressed in their PE kit to school. This term we have swimming each Friday starting on the 5th January. Our Forest School session is on the afternoon of the 17th of January.

Many thanks for your support,

Mr Lulham and Ms Taiclet



What makes rocks beautiful? - Learning Map

<p>Literacy</p>	<p>When the Giant Stirred Explanation text</p>	<p>Lava Narrative</p>	<p>Valerie Bloom Poetry</p>
<p>Maths</p>	<p>Fractions</p>		<p>Length, perimeter and area</p>
<p>Science</p>	<p>Rocks & Soil</p>	<p>Rocks and soils</p>	
<p>D.T</p>	<p>Cooking</p>		
<p>Geography</p>	<p>Where are natural disasters a problem?</p>	<p>Why do people live in disaster zones?</p>	
<p>PSHE</p>	<p>Dreams and Goals</p>		
<p>Computing</p>	<p>purple mash</p>	<p>Writing for different purposes</p>	
<p>RE</p>	<p>What does it mean to be Hindu in Britain today?</p>		
<p>French</p>		<p>Je peux... (I am able...)</p>	
<p>Music</p>	<p>Learning an instrument</p>		
<p>P.E.</p>	<p>Dance</p>		